

PERSONAL.

Mr. French writes as follows to The Troy Times: "Accompanied by our popular representative, the Hon. John A. Griswold, we sent our respects to Gen. Grant's widow, a portion from patriotic citizens of Washington County had been placed in Mr. Griswold's hands, asking Congress to appropriate \$10,000 for the erection of a suitable monument to Gen. Russell, to be put up in the city of Troy. Gen. Grant's opinion was asked in the matter. He replied that Gen. Russell was a soldier. He resolved that Gen. Russell was a soldier in the army of the Potowmack, and his memory could not be too highly honored. But, said he, many other heroes have given down their lives for their country in this war. And the question is, have we cause to honor the memory of brave men who died for their country? but what we do for one we must do for all. We said that whatever we do we should be done to honor the memory of brave men who died for their country equally deserving, and here is the difficulty in the same. Referring to the great topic, Gen. Grant's opinion came to us that we were perfectly content to abide by the other's selection, and to publish the name of the 1st of March. He replied that some editors were in advance of us in that respect, but it was perhaps well enough for newspapers to give free expression to their preferences. And here we have the General good-day, and made room for other callers."

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